**Soccer**

Kentucky's soccer program will have a different look next season, thanks to changes approved by the KHSAA Board of Control at its regular meeting this week.

The state tournament will expand to eight teams for both boys' and girls' soccer, with the sectional and sub-sectional rounds to be expanded with a semi-state round.

The board previously approved a measure that creates a 15 region soccer alignment. Winners of each of the 10 regions will advance to a one-day semi-state round, which is comprised of 11 states (regions 1-11), 11 semi-states (regions 1-11), semi-state 12 (regions 12-20) and semi-state 4 (12-20). The semi-state pairings will be determined by a coin toss rotation. Pairs for the eight teams making the state tournament will be determined by a blind draw.

"This is something our coaches and advisory committee had been planning for several years — finding a way to make this happen," said KHSAA Assistant Commissioner and soccer contact Mike Bartron. "The coaches are pleased with the solution the board has approved and we will allow this grow to occur to a greater extent for the state."**

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**Football**

In accordance with NFHS playing rules, playing football at all KHSAA state events will feature a running clock beginning next season once the margin reaches 20 points or more in the second half. NFHS rules give such a margin a "run-on" order to mercy rules and this change is similar to that of other states. It will affect baseball and softball that terminate contests when the winning team, for all practical purposes, has been determined.

At the point the margin reaches 20 points, the clock will stop only for changeable time-out, an injury situation, a change of the ball and free throw attempts. Once the official signals for the time-out, the injury situation, or the free throw attempt, the official shall restart the clock.

**Basketball**

**Running clock installed**

The board also approved the dates for each of the state basketball contests in the Based-Altoona-KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl. On Friday, Nov. 10, the championships for Classes AA, AAA and 4A will take place.

Classes 2A, 5A and 6A will determine its champion on Saturday, Dec. 1.

All games will take place at Bourbon-L.T. Smith Stadium on the campus of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green.

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**ST LOUIS (AP) —** Cincinnati starter Johnny Cueto won on Opening Day and that was time a Reds starting pitcher earned a victory. Cueto pitched seven, allowing three fresh men and two home runs, and drove in two runs. The Reds fell to 4-7, when Matt Carpenter hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly to drive in the winning run.

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